PRIVILEGED REPORTS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, June 19, 18...
Hon. George T. Jester, President of
the Senate:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills have carefully examined and com-

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Senate bill No. 14, a bill to be entitled "An act to amena sections 1069 and 1070, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to the appointment of special district judges, and to reduce the expenses of the State government,"

And find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 9:10 a. m., presented the same to the Governor for his approval.

ROGERS, Chairman.

Committee Room, , Texas, June 19, 1897

Austin, Texas, June 19, 1897. Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 20, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 3964 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, adopted A. L. 1895, providing for the manner of taking the scholastic census; and repealing articles 3965, 3966, 3967, 3968, 3969, 3970 and 3971, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas,"

And find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 9:10 a.m., presented the same to the Governor for his approval. ROGERS, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, June 19, 1897.
Hon. George T. Jester, President of
the Senate.

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 23, a bill to be entitled "An act to regulate and limit the expenditure of State, county and local public school funds, and to regulate treasurers' reports thereof,"

And find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 9:10 a.m., presented the same to the Governor for his approval.

ROGERS, Chairman.

Committee Room.
Austin, Texas. June 19, 1897.
Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Enrolled B.lls have carefully examined and compared

Senate b.11 No. 22, a bill to be entitled "An act to fix the fees of county and district clerks for recording returns, and to amend section 10 of substitute House bill for House bills Nos. o and 19, passed at the first special session of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Texas, being a bill entitled 'An act to fix certain civil fees to be charged by certain county and precinct officers, and to fix and limit the fees and compensation of clerks of the district court, district attorneys, county attorneys, sheriffs and constables in felony cases, to be paid by the State, and to fix the compensation of assessors and collectors of taxes, and to limit and regulate the compensation of the sheriff, clerk of the county court, county judge, district and county attorney, clerk of the district court, assessor and collector of taxes, justices of the peace and constables, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith,' relating to the excess of fees collected by certain county officers over the maximum amounts allowed them,"

And find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 11:10 a. m., presented the same to the Governor for his approval.

ROGERS, Chairman.

Committee Room, 'Austin, Texas, June 19, 1897.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 18, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 5051 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1895, relating to county warrants and payment of taxes, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith."

And find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 10:05 a.m., presented the same to the Governor for his approval.

ROGERS, Chairman.

On motion of Senator Atlee, the Senate then adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

TWENTY-FOURTH DAY.

Senate Chamber, Austin, Texas, Sunday June 20.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Secretary Will Lambert.

Roll called.

No quorum, the following Senators answering to their names:

Burns. Lewis. Presler. Rogers. Ross. Terrell.

Absent.

Atlee.
Bailey.
Beall.
Boren.
Bowser.
Colquitt.
Darwin.
Dibrell.
Goss.
Greer.
Harrison.

Linn, Victoria.
Linn, Wharton.
Morriss.
Neal.
Stafford.
Tillett.
Turney.
Wayland.
Woods.
Yantis.
Yett.

Excused.

Gough.

Kerr.

Stone.

On motion of Senator Ross, the Senate took recess until 9:45 o'clock a. m.

AFTER RECESS.

The Senate was called to order, Lieutenant Governor Jester in the chair.

The Chair briefly addressed the Senate, explaining the cause of the Senate holding a session on Sunday, being to comply with the constitutional requirements affecting the introduction, report upon, and taking effect of bills. Then, after prayer by the Chaplain, the President declared the First Called Session of the Twenty-fifth Legislature adjourned without day.

The Chaplain offered the great High Throne the following prayer:

Almighty God: This quiet, beautiful Sabbath moining we are gathered in this chamber and we pray Thee to be with us and bless us, as we soon will depart to our homes. We thank Thee for the favors Thou hast bestowed upon us during this session. May Thy fatherly care continue over us, and we pray Thee to bless the members of this Senate and all the employes in future.

May they have health and prosperity and be eminently useful in their chosen spheres. May there be nothing but good will and kindly feelings for each other. Forgive our sins, and give us good hearts, and finally save us with our loved ones, and we will give Thee all the praise, through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Here the gavel fell.

Attest:

WILL LAMBERT, Secretary Senate.

A WORD FROM THE CHAPLAIN.

To the President and Members of the Senate:

I seek this opportunity to express to you my high appreciation of you as a body, and my lasting gratitude to you individually, for the many kindnesses and marked courtesy shown me during this and the regular session. I want to bear witness to the very kind and generous treatment accorded me by the press reporters, officers, and employes of your body. In my weak and poor way, I have tried to be a chaplain indeed. I have sought every opportunity to be helpful and useful, and would have been glad to have known more of each one personally, and surely would have sought the privilege but for fear I might hinder and annoy you. I shall ever pray the Good One to bless, protect, and save you and your loved ones, and prosper Many have asked you in business. me if I will be a candidate next time. So far in advance, I can only say: I would like to fill out a full senatorial term-four years-and onen gracefully retire. Thanking you sincerely again, let us mingle our hopes and prayers in the sweet words of the poet:

"God be with you till we meet again; Keep love's banner floating o'er you; Smite death's threat'ning wave before you;

God be with you till we meet again." F. S. JACKSON.